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SUBJECT: CSCE: STAGE III HELSINKI PREPARATIONS

1. GOF EVENING JULY 14 HELD FIRST OFFICIAL STAGE III  
PRESS CONFERENCE. IN ADDITION TO FINNISH CSCE  
DELEGATION CHIEF ILONIEMI, WHO HAD FLOWN UP FROM GENEVA  
SPECIALLY FOR THIS PRESS CONFERENCE ONLY, FONMIN MATTILA  
AND CSCE SECGEN PEKURI WERE MAIN PARTICIPANTS. MATTILA  
STATED THAT HE ABSOLUTELY CONVINCED THAT REMAINING QUESTIONS  
OF SUCH RELATIVELY MINOR NATURE THAT THEY WILL NOT  
CAUSE ANY GREAT PROBLEMS AND THAT STAGE III AT SUMMIT  
LEVEL WILL DEFINITELY START IN HELSINKI ON JULY 30.

2. PEKURI SAID THAT FINNS HAD BEEN WORKING 24 HOURS  
A DAY SINCE JULY 10 AND THAT EVERYTHING WOULD BE READY  
IN TIME. FINLANDIA HALL HAS BEEN TAKEN OVER BY GOF  
AND THE TABLES FOR THE DELEGATIONS WITH NAME PLATES  
HAVE ALREADY BEEN INSTALLED. PRESS STORIES NOTE THAT  
FRONT ROW WILL BE MADE UP OF AUSTRIA, US, AND THE TWO  
GERMANIES, (ACCORDING TO FRENCH ALPHABETICAL ORDER) WITH THE  
USSR ENDING UP IN THE BACK ROW.

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THERE ARE TABLES AND SEATS FOR 900 DELEGATES. THERE

IS ROOM FOR 400 PRESS AND PHOTOGS IN GALLERY. PRESS ALSO REPORTS THAT IN ADDITION TO EXTREMELY TIGHT FINNISH SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS, ABOUT 500 FOREIGN SECURITY MEN ARE EXPECTED.

3. PRESS ACCREDITATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT FINNISH EMBASSIES AND CONSULATES. ACCREDITATION FORMS ARE BASIC FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS. ALL MEDIA REPS WILL BE PHOTOGRAPHED AT MARSKI HOTEL PRESS CENTER IN HELSINKI AND WILL RECEIVE FINAL ACCREDITATION THERE. FINNISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION IS ANXIOUS TO KNOW WHAT FACILITIES AMERICAN RADIO/TV WILL NEED.

4. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, USSR DELEGATION WILL BE HEADED BY BREZHNEV, KOSYGIN AND GROMYKO. THE SOVIETS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO BRING A SHIP SUFFICIENT FOR LODGING AT LEAST 300 TECHNICAL-LEVEL PERSONNEL. POLES MAY ALSO BRING SHIP. SOVIETS ALREADY HAVE 40 MEN ADVANCE TEAM IN HELSINKI, WITH 80 MEN EXPECTED BEFORE WEEKEND. CANADIANS ALSO HAVE ADVANCE TEAM IN TOWN.

5. FINNS HAVE RESERVED 2,500 HOTEL ROOMS, AND EXPECT MORE WILL BECOME AVAILABLE. NEVERTHELESS, HOTEL SITUATION WILL BE BOTH EXTREMELY TIGHT AND, GIVEN FACT THAT FINNS WILL HAVE TO TRY TO PLEASE 34 COUNTRIES, THE LONGER ANYONE WAITS IN MAKING HIS REQUIREMENTS KNOW, THE MORE LIKELY IT IS THAT HE WILL GET THE LEFT-OVERS.

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